Attorney Docket No. 2356.0073-01

Examiner: S. Turner

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:)
Sebastian SUERBAUM et al.)
Serial No.: 09/015,078) Group Art Unit: 1645

Filed: January 29, 1998

For: CLONING AND CHARACTERIZATION OF THE flba GENE OF *H. PYLORI*, PRODUCTION OF AFLAGELLATE STRAINS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of October 4, 1999. A fee of \$380.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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